



SIGURD ANDERSON  
GOVERNOR

PIERRE

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the National Fraternal Congress of America, by its President, has proclaimed June 13-19, 1954, as Fraternal Week; and

WHEREAS, the fraternal benefit system of the United States is represented by local lodges organized for charitable, beneficial, patriotic and benevolent purposes; and

WHEREAS, the fraternal activities of these societies assume various forms of caring for the sick and indigent and the participation in campaigns for community drives and the improvement of public health and the general welfare of the people; and

WHEREAS, there are a number of beneficial fraternal organizations in operation in the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the dates of Fraternal Week include Flag Day, June 14, and fraternal benefit societies will hold and participate in exercises in observance of this day to demonstrate their underlying patriotic principles:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sigurd Anderson, Governor of the State of South Dakota, recognizing the great humanitarianism of these efforts in the true spirit of brotherhood, do hereby proclaim the week of June 13-19, 1954, as

"FRATERNAL WEEK"

in South Dakota and do urge the citizens of this state, whether members of a fraternal benefit society or not, to participate in the fraternal functions open to the public during said week, to the end that a large number of the citizens of our state may become interested in the great work being carried on by societies composing the fraternal benefit system.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 9th day of June, 1954.

. . . Sigurd. Anderson . . . . .  
Governor

ATTEST:

. . . Geraldine O'Gorman . . . . .  
Secretary of State

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